

**Community Budget Meeting** 

February 6, 2023

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#### Participating in Today's Community Meeting

- Attendees are automatically muted when joining
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  - Dial \*6 to unmute when called upon to speak
- Complete the Demographic Survey during or immediately after the meeting
- The PowerPoint slides are available online
- Meeting will be recorded



## Community Budget Meeting Program

- 6:00 PM 7:30 PM
  - Welcome & Opening Remarks
  - City Manager Remarks
  - About the FY 24 Budget Process
  - Community Budget Activity



#### Meet the Team

#### **Tom Modica**

City Manager

#### Linda F. Tatum

**Assistant City Manager** 

#### **Grace H. Yoon**

**Budget Manager** 

#### **Teresa Chandler**

**Deputy City Manager** 

#### **Meredith Reynolds**

**Deputy City Manager** 

#### **Department Representatives**

- Development Services
- Economic Development
- Energy Resources
- Financial Management
- Fire
- Health & Human Services
- Parks, Recreation & Marine
- Library
- Police
- Public Works
- Technology & Innovation





#### **Budgetary Accomplishments and Achievements**



Successfully navigated an unprecedented global pandemic, while maintaining service levels to the community

Managed resources strategically, **restoring \$21 million of reserves** that had been utilized to address FY 20 pandemic-impacted General Fund shortfall





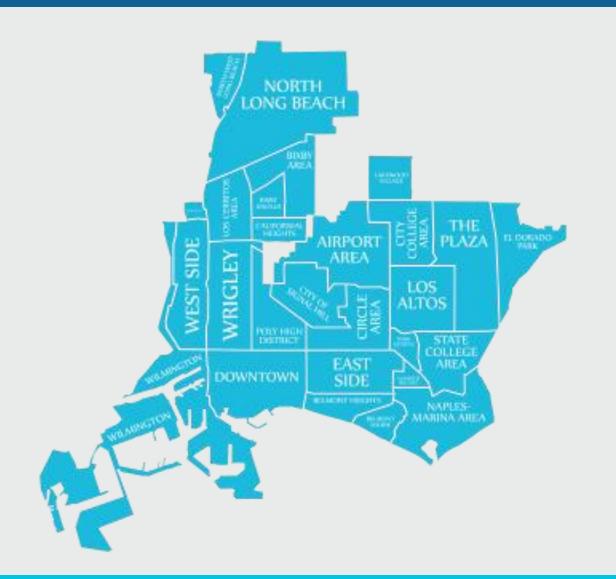
**Allocated significant funds for the community** (\$144 million for Healthy Community and \$70.7 million for Economic Recovery) through the Long Beach Recovery Act

Prepared for and addressed **General Fund liability risks** such as the Measure M litigation outcome without budget cuts or service level reductions





#### Long Beach is a Large and Dynamic City





7<sup>th</sup> largest city in California



41st largest city in the U.S.



\$3 billion budget



Approx. 5,800 employees



#### Most of the City's Revenue is for a Specific Purpose

## \$1.2 BILLION

These funds operate like a business charging for services, such as Airport, Harbor, and Water

#### TIDELANDS FUNDS: \$236 MILLION

These funds support operations and projects along the beach areas, funded by proceeds of oil revenues, transfers from Harbor, and Marina fees, among others

## \$35 MILLION

These funds account for the payment of governmental debt

## \$180 MILLION

These funds accounts for the planning, design, and construction of major capital improvements; funded by federal, state and county grants, impact fees, and transfers including from Measure A

## \$247 MILLION

These funds account for activities that are paid for by State and Federal grants, taxes, or designated revenue sources that are restricted for special purposes, such as the Health Fund

## \$607 MILLION

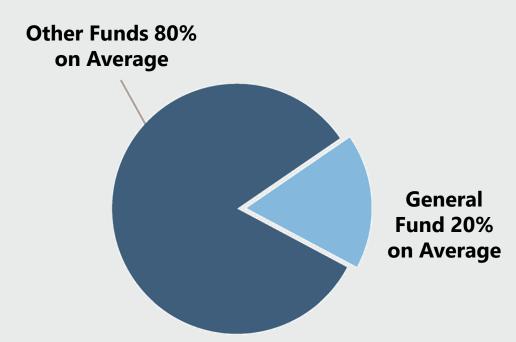
These funds account for internal services provided to City departments with charges to those departments for the services; includes Fleet and Insurance Funds



## The General Fund is the Only Completely Discretionary Fund

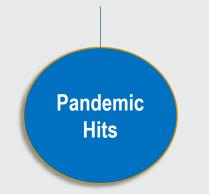
- The General Fund is the main operating fund for the City and is the only portion of the City's budget that is completely discretionary
- It accounts for only 21% (\$674 million) of the Adopted FY 23 Budget of \$3.2 billion
- Pays for general services most residents associate with city government: police, fire, parks, recreation, libraries, and general government, among others

## Budget All Funds



## The General Fund Projection Journey Since the Pandemic

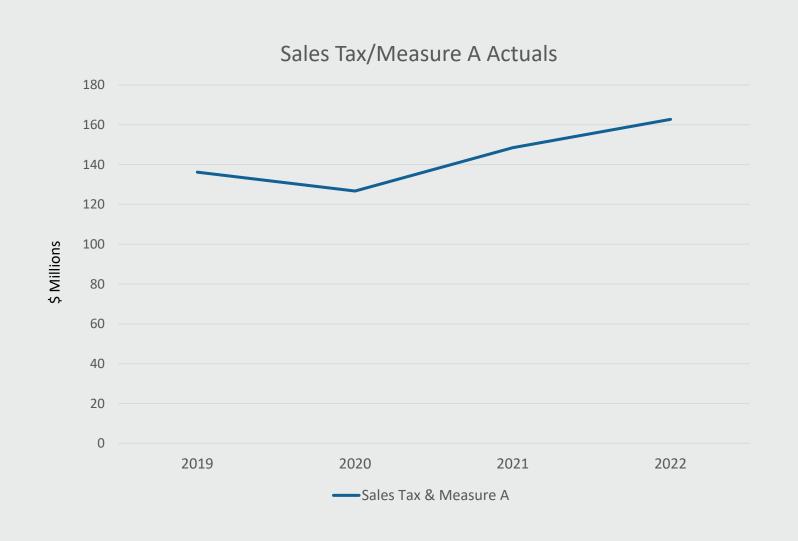
	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23
PROJECTION AT ADOPTION	Balanced	\$8 m shortfall	\$30 m shortfall	\$20 m shortfall
ACTUAL YEAR- END RESULT	\$21 m shortfall	\$2 m surplus	Known in Feb 2023	Known in Feb 2024





#### Notable Trend: General Fund Revenues have had a Sharp Rebound

- During/post pandemic, revenue had been projected to rebound gradually
- However, it has rebounded sharply
- Many revenue streams projected to have recovered or exceed pre-pandemic levels by FY 22 year-end
- More information to be provided in the February report



#### What Does This Mean for FY 24 Budget Development?

- At the time of the Adopted FY 23 Budget, the FY 24 General Fund projection was a shortfall of \$27 million
- Adding in the POA and FFA negotiated contracts, and assuming no other changes, the shortfall was projected to increase to \$43 million
- A new forecast will be developed in January/February and presented to Council in March 2023 and it is expected that there will <u>still be a</u> <u>shortfall but not as large</u>



#### Could the General Fund Shortfall Resolve Itself Over Time?

- Expenses are still expected to increase, particularly with labor related negotiated cost increases; personnel costs make up more than three-fourths of expenditures
- Variables such as investment returns for CalPERS pension plans and industry-specific impacts (e.g. oil) add to projection volatility
- Revenues would need to continue to increase at a faster pace than expense increases
- It does not seem likely that any future shortfall will completely go away on its own without intervention



## What Should We Do With Any One-Time Resources?

- City is experiencing higher levels of vacancies than typical impacted by tight labor market, contributing to some temporary expenditure savings
- One-time resources are typically utilized for one-time priority projects and investments. Since the pandemic, however, one-times also been utilized to mitigate shortfalls on a temporary basis to help avoid service cuts



• There is an opportunity cost when one-time resources are used to cover shortfalls: taking away from funds that could be used towards investments/initiatives that could generate future revenue or cost savings; less funding support for unfunded liabilities/reserves; and only a temporary solution where shortfall is pushed to the next year



#### How to Best Position Ourselves for Future Success

- Maintain good fiscal habits and discipline to avoid exacerbating the underlying structural shortfall situation (e.g. avoid overall enhancements without offsets)
- The use of one-times is a shortterm strategic approach but not something to incorporate as a long-term solution
- Explore new ideas to expand the economy and grow revenue

# Financial Policies Total of 21 financial policies

- Budget will be structurally balanced
- Budgeting is annual mid-year changes to be minimized
- User fees set at cost of service
- Emergency and operating reserves will be maintained
- Revenue projections are to be reasonably expected
- Fiscal impact statements are required
- One-times are for one-time uses
- 5 percent unfunded liability set aside
- Debt will be at appropriate levels
- The rest found in the Budget Book

## Early Community Engagement



- Early community engagement is planned prior to proposed budget decisions, which was done for the first time last year
- Community Meetings and General Survey will be conducted in January/February

Thursday, Jan. 19	Monday, Jan. 23	Wednesday, Jan 25	Tuesday, Jan. 31	Monday, Feb. 6
6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Stephens Middle School 4000 Building, Gymnasium 1830 W Columbia St.	El Dorado Park West Teen Center 2800 N Studebaker Rd.	Billie Jean King Main Library Meeting Room A 200 W Broadway	Michelle Obama Library Community Room 5870 Atlantic Ave.	Zoom Webinar

 More information can be found here: <a href="http://www.longbeach.gov/fy24">http://www.longbeach.gov/fy24</a>

#### How will this information be used?

- Community feedback will be reported to City Council prior to the release of the Proposed FY 24 Budget in August
- There will also be a report back in the Proposed Budget as to how changes or updates align with community feedback

Table 1: Community Rankings on Service Priority Areas with Investments in FY 23

		Community Meetings	Budget Survey	Budget Survey Comments
1.	Addressing Homelessness	#1 and 2	#7	#2 and 7
2.	Community Safety	#3	#2, 4, and 5	#1, 4, and 12
3.	Equity, Inclusion, Health and Quality of Life Support	#7, 8, 9 and #10	#10	#6 and 14
4.	Business Attraction, Support, and Economic Development			#9 and 17
5.	Arts, Culture, and Tourism	#4		
6.	Infrastructure, Maintenance, and Critical Needs Investments	#4	#1, #3, #6, and #8	#3, #8, and #10
7.	Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability		#9	

<sup>\*</sup> Number in table represent the rank of importance with #1 being the most important

## What to Expect Next?

- January-February: Staff work on FY 24 Projection Updates
- January-February: Early Community Engagement
- February: FY 22 Year End Performance Report to City Council
- March: FY 24 Projection Update to City Council



## Long Beach Strategic Vision 2030

- Citywide vision guiding long-range decision-making/policy
- Includes 30+ city plans, input from Mayor, City Council, City staff, reflects more than 20,000 community insights
- One common theme emerged: improve the quality of life for all residents in Long Beach
- Identifies the key goals and strategies for our community and organizes our City government so we have the ability to meet our community's most basic needs and further enhance City
- Anchored by equity and resiliency

#### Long Beach Strategic Vision 2030 Categories

#### **Long Beach Budget Priorities**

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More info: www.longbeach.gov/vision2030



#### Participating in Today's Community Discussion

- We will review each category of the Long Beach Strategic Vision 2030, two categories at a time:
  - Economic Opportunity, Equity & Resiliency/ Climate & Environmental Sustainability
  - Public Safety/ Mobility & Placemaking
  - Housing & Homelessness/ Health & Wellness
  - Education/ Digital Equity, Inclusion & Tecnology
- We'll read through each service, and you'll have an opportunity to:
  - Vote for your top 3 service priorities
  - Provide comments (or note if there is another service/program not listed)
  - Ask questions of City staff



#### Goals & Ground Rules

- Goal is to hear from you Your feedback is important and we encourage you to participate in the poll and share your comments
- Be respectful This is not a debate, differing opinions and ideas are worthy of respect and consideration
- Take space, give space so that all who wish to engage can
- Speak on behalf of your own personal experience, and avoid speaking on behalf of others or generalize any other group



#### Economic Opportunity, Equity and Resiliency



Oportunidad económica, equidad y resiliencia ឱកាសសដ្ឋេហិចុច សមធម៌ និងភាពធន់នឹងបញ្ចូហា Oportunidad pang Ekonomiya, Pagkapantaypantay at Katatagan

# In the category of <u>Economic Opportunity</u>, <u>Equity & Resiliency</u>, please pick the top 3 programs or services most important to you.

- 1. Retain and attract businesses to Long Beach
- 2. Retain and expand local, minority/women-owned, small businesses
- 3. Support tourism and convention activities
- 4. Reduce inequities in access to services
- 5. City documents and meetings available in multiple languages
- 6. Job-training and job-placement programs
- 7. Workforce development services at youth-focused locations
- Assistance to help small businesses navigate business licenses, permitting requirements, and other resources
- 9. Modernize land use regulations, entitlement, and permitting processes
- 10. Simple and accessible city procurement processes

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If there is another service/program under this theme that is a top priority for you but not listed above, please note here:



#### Climate & Environmental Sustainability



Clima y sostenibilidad ambiental អាកាសធាតុ និងនិរន្**តរភាពបរិស្**ថាន Pagpapanatili ng Klima at Kapaligiran

In the category of <u>Climate & Environmental Sustainability</u>, please pick the top 3 programs or services most important to you.

1.	Improve local air and water quality	1
2.	Maintenance of flood prevention systems	2
3.	Plant trees to reduce impacts of extreme heat	3
4.	Maintenance of natural gas and water systems in good physical condition	4
5.	Emergency preparedness for earthquake, flooding, and other disasters	5
6.	Water and energy efficiency at City facilities	6
7.	Reduce carbon footprint and greenhouse gas emissions in the City	7
8.	Green jobs that prioritize young people, communities of color, and environmental justice communities	8
9.	Enhance livable and green space in historically disinvested communities	9
10.	Assist property owners in installing solar power and switching from gas to electric appliances.	10

*If there is another service/program under this theme that is a top priority for you but not listed above, please note here:* 

## **Community Feedback**

 Is there another service/program under these themes that is a top priority for you but not listed?



#### **Economic Opportunity, Equity and Resiliency**

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In the category of <u>Public Safety</u>, please pick the top 3 programs or services most important to you.

1.	Animal rescue and rehoming	1
2.	Nuisance abatement programs to address illegal drug activity, excessive noise, etc.	2
3.	Police patrol and response	3
4.	Police response for reducing gangs, drugs, and violence	4
5.	Police work focused on property crimes	5
6.	Fire protection/prevention services and emergency response	6
7.	Life Safety and Ambulance Services	7
8.	Enforcing traffic laws	8
9.	Safety measures to reduce pedestrian and bicycle deaths	9
10.	Prevention programs to address violence before it happens	10



## Mobility & Placemaking



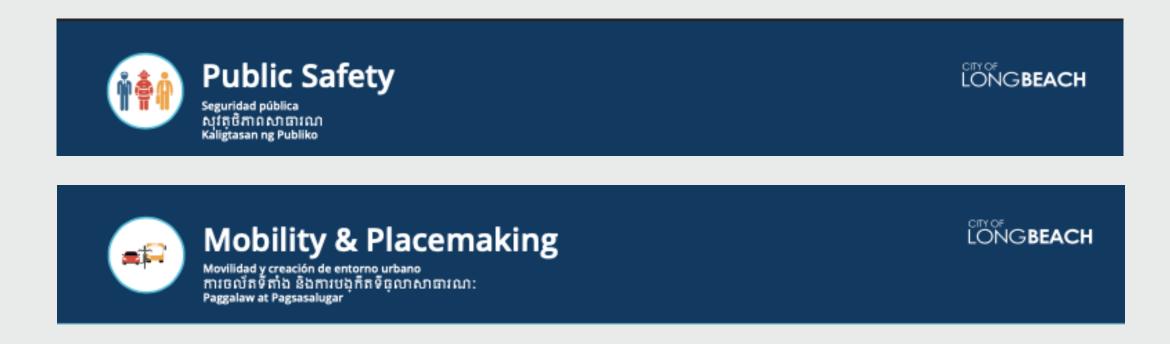
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In the category of <u>Mobility & Placemaking</u>, please pick the top 3 programs or services most important to you.

1.	Providing graffiti removal	1
2.	Maintain public parks in good condition	2
3.	Maintain bridges and alleys	3
4.	Maintain City buildings in good condition	4
5.	Keep City attractive and remove blight	5
6.	Keep streets in good repair	6
7.	Keeping sidewalks in good repair	7
8.	Build new parks in areas where there are few of them	8
9.	Recognize and support cultural and historical sites	9
10.	Access to affordable, accessible public transit and micro-mobility options	10

## **Community Feedback**

 Is there another service/program under these themes that is a top priority for you but not listed?





*If there is another service/program under this theme that is a top priority for you but not listed above, please note here:* 



In the category of <u>Housing & Homelessness</u>, please pick the top 3 programs or services most important to you.

1. A	Address and prevent homelessness through emergency shelter and wrap-around services	1
2. P	Provide legal advice and support for renters	2
3. Ir	ncrease the supply of affordable and workforce housing	3
4. E	inforce zoning and building regulations	4
5. R	Rapid Response and homeless encampment clean ups	5
6. R	Revitalize under-utilized commercial corridors	6
7. H	Homeownership assistance to first-time homebuyers and those who have faced barriers	7
8. Ir	mprove the permit process to homeowners, contractors, and development partners	8
9. P	Promote the preservation and restoration of historic properties	9
10. F	Provide lower-income homeowners assistance to make essential repairs to their property	10





In the category of <u>Health & Wellness</u>, please pick the top 3 programs or services most important to you.

- 1. Mental health services/response
- 2. Domestic violence services/response
- 3. Health services to pregnant women, children, and families
- 4. Community-wide disease prevention and control (i.e., address pandemic)
- 5. Access to affordable, healthy and culturally specific food
- 6. Access to affordable medical care to support chronic disease and prevention
- 7. Community resources such as local pools and multipurpose trails for healthy activity
- 8. Affordable recreational sports and fitness programs
- 9. Food safety, Hazardous materials, and other environmental health services
- 10. Crisis response team to respond to non-violent, non-emergency 9-1-1 calls related to mental health and substance abuse

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# In the category of <u>Education</u>, please pick the top 3 programs or services most important to you.

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1.	Access to libraries and library programs	1			
2.	After-school and summer programs for young people	2			
3.	Affordable cultural and arts opportunities	3			
4.	Infant/toddler and preschool-aged early care	4			
5.	Educational programs that support families with young children	5			
6.	Partnerships with educational institutions to expose students to major	6			
	employers	7			

- 7. Adult classes educating on wellness and various life skills
- 8. Providing learning programs for seniors
- 9. Drug and tobacco education and prevention
- 10. Outreach on the various citywide services and initiatives available to residents

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If there is another service/program under this theme that is a top priority for you but not listed above, please note here:



#### Digital Equity, Inclusion & Technology



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In the category of <u>Digital Equity</u>, <u>Inclusion & Technology</u>, please pick the top 3 programs or services most important to you.

Free and low-cost high-speed quality broadband internet services	1
2. Free and affordable internet-enabled computers	2
3. Free computer literacy training opportunities in various languages	3
4. Free and safe high-speed public Wi-Fi services	4
5. Access to and use of public computers, Wi-Fi, one-on-one tutoring, and printing services	5
6. Job preparedness resources to develop technology skills	6
7. Emerging smart technologies that address community challenges	7
8. Prevent hacking and cyberattacks that could disrupt city services	8
9. All City services are available online anytime and anywhere	9
10. Data privacy, transparency, digital ethics, and data security standards	10

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#### **Long Beach Budget Priorities**



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The Long Beach 2030 Strategic Vision identifies eight themes, which will be used to help guide budget priorities discussions for FY 24.

Please indicate the which theme is most important to you:

1. Education	1	
2. Economic Opportunity, Equity & Resiliency	2	
3. Digital Equity, Inclusion & Technology	3	
4. Housing & Homelessness	4	
5. Mobility & Placemaking	5	
6. Public Safety	6	
7. Health & Wellness	7	
8. Climate & Environmental Sustainability	8	38

## **Budget Priority Survey**

# TAKE THE BUDGET SURVEY! Take the Budget Toma la Encuesta Para Priority Survey: Priorizar el Presupuesto: ការក្បដុំគណៈកមាាធិ ការក្ដ តពិនo្ Lumahok Sa Survey Tungkol Sa Priyoridad Ng Budget: English » Español » Khmer » Tagalog »

To complete this survey in a language other than English, please click the link and toggle over the top right corner. Here, you will be able to choose from Spanish, Tagalog, and Khmer.

This survey closes on Tuesday February 7, 2023, at 5:00pm.

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